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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SPLITTING AND MERGING REQUEST AND  
RESPONSE DATA AT RUNTIME

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Enclosed are also:

- ☒ 42 Pages of Specification including an Abstract
- ☒ 5 Pages of Claims ( Claims 1 - 24 )
- ☒ 17 Sheet(s) of formal drawings
- ☒ 1 A Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☒ Form PTO 1449 and References AF and AG

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